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Human Resources Department
Assistant Curator Position
Rock & Roll Hall of Fame & Museum
I Key Plaza
Cleveland Ohio 44114

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in response to your ad for an Assistant Curator, which was sent to me by two different people via e-mail.

I am a free-lance music journalist, as well as a performer, recording artist and former broadcaster, who has lived and breathed rock and roll my entire life.

For print and radio I have interviewed many legendary musicians including James Brown, Carl Perkins, Fats Domino, Bob Marley, Martha Reeves, Muddy Waters, Hank Ballard and Professor Longhair to name a few (a complete list is attached).

As music editor of Philadelphia's largest alternative weekly, *The Welcomat*, (now *Philadelphia Weekly*) -- and as a music journalist for over 20 years before that, I constantly dealt with people in all levels of the music business from record company reps to managers and artists.

As both a writer and presenter of music on the radio, my primary concern was to point out the music's origins and roots.

My knowledge of rock and roll is not something learned in school (to paraphrase Bruce Springsteen). It is acquired knowledge from decades of collecting records, CDs, tapes, books and magazines and from following the music to its source.

If you are looking for someone who cares about the music, the performers and preserving that heritage, then I hope you will consider this application.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Peter Brown